# News Release

## NWT Snowboarder Achieves Personal Best

**YELLOWKNIFE (January 17, 2007) –** Snowboarder Andrew Matthews placed 8th in Half-Pipe in the Alberta Snowboard Association's Alberta Cup at Canada Olympic Park this past weekend. This is the highest-level result both for Andrew, and for the Northwest Territories, at this caliber of competition.

"I am really pleased with how I did!" commented Andrew. "All the hard work I did training and doing physiotherapy in the off season is paying off. Having experience riding that pipe definitely helped me out as well. I didn't do anything fancy in the competition, just rode solid and stuck to tricks that I'm confident with."

Matthews will join the NWT snowboarding team at the Canada Winter Games in Whitehorse next month. "The results from last weekend are really going to help with my confidence in future competitions such as Canada Games."

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